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> sturgeon field work
> coordination/draft call for
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> Portland Harbor Government Team -- As most of you know, LWG is set to
> begin sturgeon catch efforts in the ISA very soon. At present, all
> indications are that field work will begin the week of February 19.
> Recognizing that this effort entails significant integration of RI/FS
> and NRDA needs, I have offered to help Joe and Burt with the
> coordination of our field activities, including lab and field
> oversight/observation, as well as lab work. Though details are still
> being worked out, the current "vision" is that field crews will hand-off
> legal size captured fish as they come off the set lines to a second boat
> that will then run the specimen(s) to shore so that the analysis process
> (blood samples) can begin promptly with live fish back in the lab. Tasks
> to be conducted in the lab include the drawing of blood plasma samples,
> removal of livers and stomach contents, preparation of the fish for
> whole-body analysis, and possibly other tasks. Government team members
> are being called upon to lend a hand with field and lab work. We
> especially need experienced folks to pitch in for this effort, keeping
> in mind that we anticipate training will be provided at the outset of
> lab work so we have a broader pool of resources to draw upon as we work
> through this process. Our goal should be to have government team
> personnel available and in the field/lab at all times, and to have two
> trained/experienced Trustees in the lab when plasma, livers, etc. are
> being processed.
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> With that said, *please respond to me and Joe ASAP and no later than
> 02/08/07 with your dates of availability.* Note that it may be necessary
> to conduct some lab work on Saturday, February 24. Please use the
> attached spreadsheet. It's been set up so that you can also provide some
> indication of whether or not you are willing/able to perform lab work,
> field oversight, observation, etc. Also note that your name may not be
> one of those listed in the table. If that's the case but you want to
> participate, no problem. Just let me and Joe know.
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> Finally, Joe is working to secure an EPA boat for this effort and Jeremy
> has access to a FWS boat, but the details of boat logistics have yet to
> be worked out. Please stay tuned.
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> Thanks,
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> Rob and Joe
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> (See attached file: Schedules_Sturgeon_ISA.xls)
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